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1. ~~But~~ I want to end the war to save
the lives of those brave young men
in Vietnam.
2. But I want to end it in a way which
will increase the chance that their
younger brothers and their sons will
not have to fight in another Vietnam
someplace in the world.

~~3. And there is another reason I am for~~
~~peace which concerns the young people~~
~~to whom I am addressing these remarks.~~

(1) I believe in ~~America's~~ young people.

I have often spoken of the high

idealism which motivates this great

new generation.

(2) I want that great energy ~~and dedication~~

~~now too often directed~~
~~now directed in hatred against~~

~~in unexpressed hatred against those~~
and those they think are responsible

~~it to be directed~~ to the splendid

challenges of peace, a better life for all

Americans and for people throughout the world.

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I know it isn't fashionable to speak of patriotism or national destiny these days.

1. But ^{two} ~~two~~ hundred years ago ~~when~~ ^{even the} this country was weak ~~and~~ ^{million} and poor, America was the hope of the world ~~under~~

- to-day we have become the strongest and richest*
2. ~~Today because we are the strongest and richest nation~~
nation in the world.
~~in the world, today~~ the wheel of destiny has turned so

that any hope the world has for the survival of peace and freedom in the last third of this century will be determined by whether America has the ~~military~~, ~~economic and, most important~~, spiritual strength, to meet the challenge of free world leadership, ~~which~~ ~~only we have the power to meet.~~

3. Let the historians not record that when America was the ~~most powerful~~ ~~richest and strongest~~ nation in the world we passed on the other side of the street and allowed the last hopes of millions of people on this earth for peace and freedom to be suffocated by the forces of totalitarianism.

Fifty years ago, President Wilson in this room and at this very desk (~~question that~~) wrote words which caught the imagination of a war-weary world.